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ANGOLA: A new commemorative set for the 300th anniversary of the "Restoration" has been announced. There are said to be 10 values ranging from 5c to 20 Ags. Designs show Portuguese dignitaries as well as buildings.



ARGENTINA: A stamp issued in commemoration of the Day of the American Indians has a value of 25c and is colored copper brown. First day was May 21; total printing will be 1,000,000.



BRAZIL: Two stamps issued in compliment to the International Rotary Convention held in Rio de Janeiro during the month of May. Values are a Cr. \$1.20 and a Cr. \$3.80 in plum and sepia respectively.

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CHILE: In a frantic effort to gain the dubious honor of "Screwiest Stamps for 1948", our good neighbor to the south, the Republic of Chile, has announced her intention to compete and may well be successful.

It seems that in 1848 one Claudio Gay wrote a history of Chile. The proposed series will honor the centenary of this book. To do so in a fitting manner 25 of the illustrations from the book will be reproduced as postage stamps all 25 designs to appear set-tenant in each sheet. There will be 3 such sheets 2 of postage and 1 for air mail or in other words 75 varieties of different denominations. Face values colors etc., have not yet been announced but don't fret you will learn the bad news soon enough anyway. Our personal guess is that the air mail value will be printed in a limited edition and will be quite speculative. We confess we are a little unhappy at seeing Chile establishing the precedent of issuing stamps using illustrations from books as designs. These might well start a trend, which left unchecked would reach staggering proportions.

CHINA: Additional overprints have appeared on Scott's type D 7; in every case the color of the basic stamp is plum. The overprints are in black in the following denominations. 2,000 on \$30.00, 4,000 on \$100., 5,000 on \$200, 10,000 or \$300.00, 20,000 on \$500.00.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA: A 1Kc 50, brown commemorative has been issued in connection with the Agricultural exhibition being held at Prague the stamp shows a scene from the Peasant revolution.

FINLAND: A 24 mark maroon has been issued in Scott's type A 26.

FRANCE: Two new changes of

color and denominations have just been received. The Luxembourg Palace, Scott's type A 160 has been issued as a 12 franc carmine rose, and the recent Conque type now appears on an 18 franc dark blue.



GREAT BRITAIN: We illustrate the set issued to commemorate the liberation of the Channel Islands the 1 penny is vermilion, and the 2½ pence is ultramarine both show scenes in the harvesting of seaweed.

GUATEMALA: The 5c postage of 1939, Scott's type A 122, has been reported overprinted in red "1948 Aero".

GUATEMALA: A 4 value set to honor the first anniversary of the labor reform code of 1947 has just been received. Denominations are 1c green, 2c black brown, 3c blue, and 5c rose red. All values show a laborer reading the labor code, with tools in the background.

NETHERLANDS: A 6c indigo has been added to the series of regular postage showing Queen Wilhelmina. The 5c denomination of the new postage due series is also reported.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS: The official overprinted "O. B." now appear in black on Scott's No. 505 as well as on the 4 centavo gray of the same series.



POLAND: We illustrate the 15z. black, issued to commemorate the 5th anniversary of the Warsaw uprising.

SAN MARINO: A 5 value series honoring laborers was released in late May. The design showed a laborer holding various tools; the denominations are 5 lire, 8 lire, 30 lire and 100 lire.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA: The Gold mine designs Scott's No. 827-828, have been reissued in the midget size similar to Scott's No. 128-141. These stamps are perforated on 3 sides and rouletted between and the proper way in which to collect these would be in vertical pairs perforated all around.

NEW U. S. FIRST DAYS

July 19—100 Years Progress of American Women 3c, first day at Seneca Falls, N. Y.

August 9—Francis Scott Key 3c, first day at Frederick, Md.

September 19—Gold Star Mother's Stamp 3c, first day at Washington, D. C.

November 4—Will Rogers 3c, first day at Claremore, Okla.

December 9—Joel Chandler Harris 100th Anniversary of Birth, 3c. First day at Eatonton, Ga.

Announced Without Details Clara Barton, Founder of the National Red Cross. Oregon Centennial — probable date August 14. 100 Years of Peace and Cooperation With Canada. Five Civilized Indian Tribes—probable date October 15 at Muskogee, Okla.

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Roosevelt Commemorative In Concise Check List

What seems to be an accurate and all inclusive check list of the stamps issued by various countries in honor of Franklin Roosevelt appeared in the "Armed Forces Philatelist", official organ of the Pentagon Philatelic Society of Washington, D. C. As given, all countries that have issued such stamps are named, the first day of issue of such stamps is noted and the Scott Catalog number, if the issue has been recognized by Scott, is listed.

The appearance of an asterisk (*) indicates that the issue is not recognized by the Scott Catalog.

Guatemala	Jan. 18, 1938 C92
Turkey	July 15, 1939 817-22
Brazil	Apr. 14, 1940 487
Colombia	July 19, 1945 520-22
Liberia	Nov. 26, 1945 296-97 & C38
Greece	Dec. 21, 1945 469-71
Haiti	Feb. 5, 1946 C33-34
Argentina	Apr. 12, 1946 523
Nicaragua	June 15, 1946 685-700 & 272-76
Honduras	Oct. 15, 1946 C158
Monaco	Dec. 13, 1946 198-202, B93 C14-15 & C86
Cuba	Apr. 12, 1947 379
San Marino	May 3, 1947 *
Monaco	May 15, 1947 C16
Mexico	May 17, 1947 825-27 & C187-88
Ethiopia	May 23, 1947 *
Guatemala	June 6, 1947 C151-56
Hungary	June 11, 1947 *
San Marino	June 17, 1947 "Bureharged"
Hungary	July 21, 1947 "Min. Sheets"
Philippines	Aug. 19, 1947 C14-16
Costa Rica	Aug. 26, 1947 251-55 & 160-67
Nicaragua	Aug. 30, 1947 C295 & C044
Honduras	Oct. 5, 1947 C163
El Salvador	Apr. 12, 1948

Traveling Stamp Exhibit Proposed

Garner Curran, editor of The Collector's Bulletin of Los Angeles, Calif., suggests that a traveling stamp exhibit be prepared to be loaned to any philatelic show that will pay the cost of transportation and insurance.

Mr. Curran offers to donate two frames for such an exhibit and feels confident that many philatelic societies throughout the United States and even some foreign philatelic organizations will be glad to donate one or more frames for such shows, as they would prove excellent advertising when displayed.

Dealers and manufacturers of special covers and philatelic supplies might also be included in such a traveling exhibit to a limited degree.

A special committee of prominent philatelists or editors of stamp columns in daily papers or stamp publications, should be formed to book requests for such exhibits and keep a record of the distribution and see that all are promptly returned to some central place after the shows.

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Bulgaria Poets, New(5) .15	Hungary Dues, J186-193.....(8) .72
Canada Citizen(1) .06	Iceland Semi-Post, B1-4.....(4) .62
China Stamp Day, New Colors.....(2) .06	Japan Railroad Sheet(1) .18
China—Formosa Dues, New.....(5) .10	Mozambique Cathedral(1) .30
China Thrift(4) .06	Panama Flag, New(1) .03
Congo Leopold, #228-230.....(3) .52	Poland Bicycle Race(1) .11
Cuba Air Conv. Min. Bht, New (1) .97	Portuguese Guinea Natives, New (13) 2.65
Denmark King(1) .06	Portuguese India Saints(5) .44
Dominican Republic Palace.....(4) 1.93	Siam Boy King(6) .49
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actually worth \$150 and was won by Robert S. Honeyman for a
showing of World Airmails. The show was held on May 14, 15 and
16 at the Elks Club in Los Angeles. Behind the principals in the
above picture can be seen a flight photograph of the 180 passenger
Constitution, largest proven air transport in the world, which will
be delivered this summer. Lockheed donated the Constitution model
because of the large number of Lockheed employees who had
exhibits in the competition.

Details Released On Big Stamp Robbery

Sometime between Saturday
night and Sunday morning, May
22nd and May 23rd, burglars
broke into the office of the New
York Stamp Co., Inc., 559 Fifth
Avenue, New York 17 N. Y., and
stole stamps from their stock
amounting to between \$70,000
and \$80,000.

The burglars ripped open two
large safes containing the bulk
of the New York Stamp Co. stock.
One safe, which they cleaned out
completely, contained approx-
imately 300,000 sets of stamps,
mostly all mint—this stock be-
ing made up of about 10,000 dif-
ferent sets. These sets were in
2"x2" glassine envelopes, with
the exception of blocks, which
were in 2"x4" glassine envelopes.
This was perhaps the most com-
prehensive set stock in this coun-
try.

Also taken from the safes was a
complete stock of Souvenir and
Miniature Sheets of the World,
also a complete Packet stock of
the world. In addition, 12 large,
tall, heavy, Yvert and Tellier
Stock Books were taken, which
among many other countries,
contained stamps of Argentina,
Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Canal
Zone, Congo, Danzig, France
and French Colonies, Germany,
German Colonies, German States,
etc. Great Britain and British
Colonies from Aden to Jamaica,
Iceland, Italy and Italian Colo-
nies, Italian States, Norway, Po-
land, and Sweden. The stamps in
these books were all priced up as
singles.

In addition, two stock books
were taken which housed only
Air Mail sets. Also, and this is
most important, a small red Yvert
and Tellier Stock Book was taken,
which contained RARE Air Mail
sets. Most of these had the guar-
antee mark of the New York
Stamp Co. on the back. This
guarantee mark consists of "N. Y.
Stamp Co." arranged in a semi-
circle, with the initials, "E. K." underneath in the center. Among
many others, this book contained

the following Air Mail sets: 1st
and 2nd issue of Syria, Mexican
University issue, Newfoundland
Balboa and DOX, New Guinea C1
thru C27, Ecuador CO1-CO6,
French Ile de France, Philippines
#301B (signed Sanabria), all Ger-
man Zeppelins, Mexico #CO18,
Venezuela #C66-78, U. S. Zep set,
Costa Rica #C46-54, Liberia
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propriate prizes to those in at-
tendance at a philatelic event. This
time it occurred at the Ken-
tuckiana Stamp Exposition in
Jeffersonville, Indiana where
through the cooperative efforts
of Indiana and Kentucky clubs
and collectors a two day show
was held. This event under
the sponsorship of the Louis-
ville Stamp Club and the New
Albany (Ind.) Stamp Club took
place on May 21 and 22.

In all, six subscriptions were
awarded to visitors who during
the two days attended the show,
the auction or the banquet on
Saturday evening.

Collectors who won first
awards during the show were
George Frerichs, R. M. Luckert,
George C. Janka and Leonard
Turley.

Flight Abandoned: Covers Returned

The Regional Superintendent,
Air Postal Transport, Post Office,
New York City is returning the
covers that collectors had placed
in his care for the proposed "ship-
to-shore" helicopter service that
the Department had planned for
January 6, 1947.

Reason given for the return is
that the proposed flight which
had been planned and delayed
on several occasions will be ab-
andoned entirely. At the time
set for the initial attempt on Jan-
uary 6 of last year, severe storms
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the chairmanships of committees
within the club. Named were
Walter Kuhn, Anselm Nascher,
William J. McCoy, Fred Fleur,
Thomas A. Watson, Leon Kroner,
Henry Kraemer and J. H. Olsen.
Meetings are held the second and
fourth Mondays at the Staten Is-
land Institute of Arts and Sciences
on Stuyvesant Place, St. George,
Staten Island.

The club is preparing a request
to the Postmaster General for a
stamp to commemorate the meet-
ing of Benjamin Franklin, Lord
Howe and others on Staten Is-
land at Tottenville. Also, they are
formulating plans for the issuance
of a cachet and cancellation to
celebrate the centenary of the
Staten Island local stamp issued
at Stapleton in 1849. There were
two of these stamps issued by
Hagedorn & Co., a 3c and a 6c,
both of which are listed in the
Scott Specialized as No. 133L1 and
133L2.

The club extends a welcome
to collectors to join them at any
of their meetings.

Christmas Seals On Exhibition At Meet

In connection with the annual
meeting of the National Tubercu-
losis Association, which will be
held this year at the Pennsylvania
Hotel in New York, June 14th
to 19th inclusive, it is planned to
have a comprehensive exhibit of
tuberculosis Christmas seals.

This exhibit will include United
States National as well as local
and foreign issues.

All the United States issues
from 1907 to date in their original
formats, as well as such items as
imperf. P. C. P.s, proofs and es-
says will be on display. It is also
hoped to have available most of
the rarer United States local and
foreign issues thus making this
one of the most complete and out-
standing exhibits of Christmas
seals that has ever been shown
in the Metropolitan Area.

This exhibit will be open from
10 a. m. to 10 p. m. and anyone
interested is welcome, there be-
ing no admission charge.

Stork's Visit Slows Florida Stamp Dealer

If your order for stamps and
covers from Robert Knobel of
Miami, Florida have been slow
in arriving you can place a lot of
the blame on the stork. On May
18, the Knobels had a visit from
the "bird" and were pleased to
find that he had left them a fine
boy. The youngster has been
given the name Barry Wayne.
Best wishes and congratulations
are due all around, the parents
for having selected such a nice
heir, and the heir for having se-
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30C20	124*20	216*25	J14*40	Q9*	1.60
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48*	20	133*35	239*20	O3*	7.00	Q20*15
5125	135*30	240A*	20	O6*25	Q23*35
5215	142*40	241*40	O7*25	Q25*15
68	1.25	143*30	242*65	O8*25	Q26*20
68*	1.25	145*20	243*15	O9*50	Q27*30
69*90	147*	20	256*30	O9*75	Q28*10
70*15	151*	20	257*20	O15*15	Q29*12
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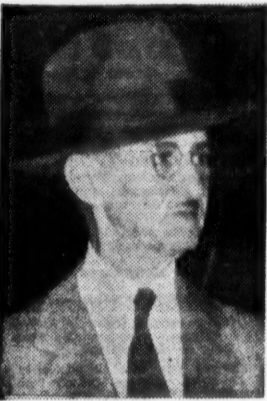
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Remember The British Jubilees

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The above as a preamble to our following remarks concerning the New British and Colonial Silver Wedding Stamps.



GEO. LINN

This being a newspaper we have printed much adverse criticism of these stamps. This criticism comes both from American collectors who have been collectors of the Colonial issues as well as from leading collectors, dealers and even the British Philatelic Societies. It is clearly evident that all feel that the British Government is taking collectors for a ride and that is also our opinion, so what can be done about it? Simply nothing.

It is a fact however that these stamps have been put on sale throughout the Empire in the

proper manner, we have no news or information that some favored group has cornered them, that anyone is gypping collectors for a big excess profit, rather than that we have evidence that British Dealers are trying in every way to make the price they charge for the stamp as low as they possibly can make it.

Evidence of this fact is a paragraph in "The Philatelic Trader," one of the leading British stamp journals. We take the liberty of printing this item so you will know that British Dealers are trying to ease the burden in every possible manner.

"Don't Be Tempted"

"The very high face value of the forthcoming Colonial Silver Wedding stamps is tempting some dealers to offer them at a cut rate price. We have, in fact, heard of one dealer who has openly declared that he will market them at 2½ per cent. over face. Members of the B.P.A. and P.T.S. have an agreement whereby current mint Empire stamps shall be retailed at a minimum of 12½ per cent. over face, and 10 per cent. for New Issue Service, and traders and advertisers are reminded that Harris Publications Ltd., are in full accord with this arrangement. No advertisements will be accepted for the "Philatelic Magazine" which do not conform with these principles."

The above should be conclusive proof that stamp dealers do consider the pocket books of their customers, especially in a case like this.

You will note that the dealers have an agreement as to price. Such price fixing and price agreement would be unlawful here in America under our laws, but is apparently a legal procedure in Britain.

Now the next step. We started out by saying, "Remember the British Jubilees".

Our own opinion on these new stamps is that they will be one of the best stamp investments of the year. It is of course a high priced set so in effect represents what the top or high values of any of the British Colony sets represent. When you get to stamps of this value the number of buyers ready to buy is a comparatively small number to the number that will buy the low pence issues. Also the dealers who stock stamps for future sale will not tie up much money in a stock of these stamps and as a result as new collectors come along and want these stamps, the supply will not be plentiful, it will soon be washed up and the future trading in them will be from broken collections and at auctions. Naturally they will advance rapidly in price when the small available supply stocked by dealers is absorbed.

Dealers will take but a small profit on what they sell today and because the apparent profit is going to be small they will not lay in a large stock as profits are small and cost of stocking a number of sets is much more than many dealers can stand so the supply is going to be short provided the stamps are withdrawn and removed from sale and circulation as is the custom with British issues. Thus you who can afford this set will find, in our opinion at least, that it is going to be one of the best buys you have made.

APS Prexy Outlines Five Suggestions For Betterment Of Hobby

On May 24, Donald F. Lybarger appeared before the American Stamp Dealers Association meeting in New York City, and spoke to the assembled guests under the title of his theme, "Philatelic Objectives." His remarks have more than ordinary significance, for in his capacity as president of the American Philatelic Society, they more or less indicate a plan of action that is or has been considered by himself, and or members of the governing body of that group.

Key to the thoughts that he presented were stated when he said "...Stamp Collecting today is a big business. From the humblest beginning, when the first stamp merchant was a fellow who displayed his stamps in Union Square and had them tacked on a board, the selling of stamps for collectors has developed into a business international in character and with many ramifications."

With that thought established, Mr. Lybarger proceeded to outline five objectives which he considered eminently desirable from a standpoint involving the dealer and collector. The first of these had to do with the formation of a code of ethics, and on this matter, Mr. Lybarger stated, "I believe the time has come when by mutual agreement of all right thinking philatelists we should endeavor to set that code down in writing so he who runs can read. It should state in simple language what we consider fair methods of dealing on the part of the buyer and seller. It should include penalties for violating of the code and means of enforcing the standard. I suggest that publicity for the violator is the simplest and most effective method of enforcement."

As to stamp auctions, Mr. Lybarger noted that the good work of many of the reliable and ethical firms in this field were getting a black eye from the unbusinesslike methods of less scrupulous operators. In his comments on auctions, Mr. Lybarger stated the following:

"One branch of the business which needs cleaning up is that of stamp auctions. It seems that everybody and his cousin nowadays runs an auction. The mere fact that he is licensed by the civil authorities is no assurance of reliability in the auction business. The charge is frequently made that some auctions sell primarily not at the buyer's own price but strictly at the price the seller (who frequently is the owner) wants to get for the lot. There is often grave suspicion that duplicate lots are sold at random. This raises the question whether it is ethical for a person conducting a stamp auction to sell his own personal stock in this manner without so informing his public."

"One of the chief objections to the auction business is the utter lack of any standard of description. Superlative adjectives are used without meaning much. There is therefore definite need for a standard of description which can accurately convey to a mail order buyer a correct idea of what is being offered for sale. As fully as possible illustrations should be used; and without fail there should be made available a priced list of every sale. Doubtful lots (repaired, re-perforated or regummed items) should be indelibly marked by the seller so they cannot be resold by an unscrupulous purchaser."

The third point considered by Mr. Lybarger had to do with the easy manner in which credit is sought and gotten by collectors. His remarks at this stage of his talk are enlightening for he says, "I believe collectors are accustomed to buying stamps upon too easy credit terms. Our experience in the A.P.S. is that far too many stamps are sold to unknown persons without any investigation as to their credit standing. This gives rise to many difficulties and complaints."

"The mere fact of membership in any organization should be no final criterion as to a man's credit rating. We have almost 11,000 members in the A.P.S.; we are a large democratic organization; we attempt to investigate each applicant provided any question is raised at the time he seeks membership, but bear in mind, that a man may be a good credit risk this year and a bad one next year."

A fourth point concerned stamp monopolies. A re-statement of the policy adopted by the APS, plus thoughts of his own

on the matter, were reviewed by Mr. Lybarger. These are so well known to Linn's readers that further comment on them should not be necessary. Needless to say the APS prexy, and the Society itself still will continue to condemn such practices.

Finally, Mr. Lybarger appealed for an organization, similar to one that has been suggested by Linn's and other progressive segments of the hobby.

"Finally, I believe the time has come when all stamp organizations which are general and national in character should join in creating and maintaining a council whose purpose will be to unify the hobby and accomplish some of the objectives I have been mentioning. This council should be representative of collectors, dealers and publishers. It should have the means of ascertaining and publicizing facts. It should in a sense do for the hobby what certain individuals have done in the realm of sports, industry and fraternal relations. Perhaps it should take the form of an annual conference of a representative group from the elements mentioned and have as its working head an executive whose duty would be to carry out the instructions of the council. There are many forms which such a council or conference might take and I have no arbitrary opinion as to them."

Indian Stamp May Set New Record

The Indian Centennial Board has announced that the entire State set-up will go into action to put over the First Day Sale on the Indian Stamp to be issued October 15 in Muskogee, Oklahoma. There are over 60 Centennial sub-committees in as many towns over the State, each of these committees will take action to get support from their committees to help break all First Day Sale records.

Oklahoma City has already pledged 100,000 First Day Covers and it is expected that Tulsa will match this figure.

The Indian Centennial is honoring the Five Civilized Tribes of Indians of Oklahoma for their "100 Year March of Progress" and as the Settlers and Pioneers of Oklahoma. It was the members of the Five Tribes that contributed the 46th State to the Union, and have given the Nation many men of high distinctions in arts, letters, government, entertainment, and professional fields, two of their members are in the Hall of Fame at Washington, D. C.

President Truman signed the bill Tuesday, May 4th, authorizing this stamp, which will be the first to honor our Great Red Men of America.

The Indian Centennial Celebration is expected to be the outstanding celebration of the year for the nation and will be held October 14 and 15. The Oklahoma Philatelic Society officials have announced that the organization will join in efforts to break all First Day records.

Supplement Issued To Wholesale List

Dealers might be interested in learning that the Grossman Stamp Co., Inc., has released a supplement to the original price list of their wholesale offerings issued earlier this year. The supplement is known as number 91A, and is available to members of the trade who will apply for it on their letter head. Address of the firm is 102 W. 42nd St., New York 18, N. Y.

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By Carl P. Rueth

"The stamp honoring the 100 years of Peace between the United States and Canada will be issued on August 1," states Edith M. Fisher in her regular column in the Bergen (N. J.) Evening Record. She further states that while no official release as to the design has been made, that it is reliably understood it will incorporate the Seal of the two countries and feature the Roebling Bridge. The Roebling Bridge was the first railroad suspension bridge in the world, and proved to be the guinea pig for the Brooklyn Bridge which Roebling built later.

Betcha you wont know the answers!

1. How many women were depicted in the Famous Americans series, in what set did they appear, who were they?
2. How many of the men shown in the Famous Americans series were some form of hirsute adornment (mustaches, "mutton chops" or beards) on their noble faces, and who were they?

With all the high hopes that collectors had for a really outstanding commem in the Four Chaplains stamp, the issue seems to have been anything but that. The design apparently is a good one, but either because of a poor grade of paper, or of an ink not suitable to the design, or both, the stamp falls flat. Looks like a fifth rate lithograph job.

The Wisconsin stamp might be termed a good average purple effort on the part of the Post Office Department. It is a better looking stamp by far than the Chaplains stamp, but certainly not outstanding.

Seems as if cover collectors are sending their covers to the first day post offices months ahead of the actual date of issuance. This is not good practice. For one reason, it clutters up the post offices to which they are sent, and might be returned by the postmaster of the office which would involve double postage on the part of collectors to mail them at a later date. Therefore, do not send your covers to a first day office sooner than 30 days before the actual day of issue.

On The Trail Of The Mailomats: First days from newly installed Mailomats were received from the one at Miami, Fla. dated May 24, courtesy of Troy Huffman of Miami, and the one from Miami Beach, Fla. dated May 25 courtesy of A. L. Hunter of Miami.

When the automatic stamp vending machine went into operation on May 29 at Syracuse, N. Y. writes Richard Poultridge of that city, the stamp collecting customers were pleased to note that out of the three cent stamp slot appeared Scott No. 721, the Stuart portrait of Washington, perf 10 vertically, coil stamp. Just like Elizabeth, N. J. where the collectors had a short bonanza with another obsolete stamp, the Syracuse collectors played the "slot machine" heavily here.

Probably while the doors are

open to all kinds of requests for stamps, many of which the POD listens to, "interested persons" are going to be sure that their heroes are honored also. Whether they are deserving or not is no concern here, but requests have been made for stamps in honor of William Allen White, famous Kansas author, and editor for many years of the Emporia Gazette; William Knudsen, former head of GMC, and leader of this nation's industrial efforts during the war; Father Flanagan of Boys Town, who passed away recently in Japan; and Dr. James E. West, executive officer of the Boy Scouts for many years.

Floyd F. Tafel of Detroit who reported this as happening in his home town in broad daylight wants to know whether the next world will be just as full of absent minded professors as one who performed recently. A man, apparently sober, approached a mailbox on E. Jefferson St. with a postcard in one hand and a stamp in the other. He solemnly dropped the card into the slot, and pasted the stamp on the side of the box.

Sparks flew in the East when a clerk at a parcel post window insisted on using a meter strip to pay the postage on a package for a philatelist. The collector got "hot" at the clerk, and raised you-know-what all the way to Washington, D. C. and the ear of the Postmaster General. As scarce as some of the high values are to begin with, and due to the fact that the clerk should have used them as requested, my sympathies lie with the collector.

Another entrant for the earliest airmail derby was brought to my attention by G. R. Deffelt of Indianapolis, Ind. According to "The History of Flight in the United States" a Prof. John Wise carried 23 letters and 123 circulars on a balloon flight that was to take himself and the mail to New York City. It started from Lafayette, Ind. on August 17, 1859 and ended the same day when the balloon descended at a point six miles west of Crawfordsville, Ind. right in the middle of a road without so much as a traditional "X" to mark the spot for posterity.

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How smart were you?
1. Louisa May Alcott was in the Author's set; Frances E. Willard appeared in the Educator's set; Jane Addams was included in the Scientist's set. Therefore there were three women pictured in the series.

2. It seems as if the men depicted in the Famous Americans series were quite fond of hairy faces, for out of a total of 32 pictured, 22 wore mustaches, beards or mutton chops. These were Emerson, Clemons, Longfellow, Whittier, Lowell, Whitman, Hopkins, Eliot, Audubon, Long, Reed, Sousa, Herbert, MacDowell, Whistler, Saint-Gaudens, French, Remington, Whitney, Morse, McCormick, and Bell.

Status Of Newfoundland Determined By Ballots

On June 3, the people of Newfoundland voted to determine the form of government under which they preferred to live. Three choices were offered to the voters: 1. Join Canada, 2. Return to self-government, 3. Continue the present commission form of government. Readers by now know the results from their daily papers. There had been some talk about the Newfoundlanders voting to join the United States. While this question was not actually on the ballot, such a proposition was implied in some respects under the No. 2 above. It was claimed by a representative group that if Newfoundland returned to self-government, that attempts would be made to tie that country economically with the United States.

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Another proposal is offered which would be a fitting philatelic climax to the 1950 exhibition. A National Philatelic Exhibition (NAPEX) to be held in Washington in the fall of 1950 to be a joint APS, SPA and NFSC exhibition. The Washington Philatelic Society is a chapter of APS. The Collectors Club of Washington is a chapter of SPA. The Pentagon Philatelic Society with both other clubs are chapters of NFSC. Certainly with these outstanding organizations acting as host clubs a combined exhibition could be sponsored that would be second only to the great CIPEX show held in New York last May. With all Washington collectors working together for this exhibition and all or the national societies behind the affair its success would be more than assured. Here would be a chance for the national philatelic societies to pool their efforts into a great event. Cooperation has been the keynote of organized philately—here is the chance to prove it.

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of Toledo, Ohio. It consists of the letters SWA (South-West-Africa)
being overprinted on the Silver Wedding stamps of the Union of
South Africa. Color of the stamps is royal blue and silver, the
silver being used in the wreath surrounding the King and Queen.
Value of the stamps are 3d. each, one stamp being in English, the
other in Afrikaans. They are usually collected in the bilingual pairs.
Cancellation was made at Windhoek, on the first day, April 26.

Cachet For Alaskan Railroad Anniversary

The United States Department
of the Interior is announcing that
a cachet will be applied to the
covers of collectors without cost
on the occasion of the 25th anni-
versary of the Alaska Railroad.
This event is to be celebrated on
July 15, and will honor the driv-
ing of the first spike by President
Warren G. Harding on July 15,
1923.

The following instructions must
be carefully followed. Covers are
to be of the standard 6 1/4 size on
which a sufficient amount of
postage to prepay the first class
rate has been added; this is three
cents for surface mail, and five
cents for airmail. Collectors must
also affix the name and address
to which the covers are to be
sent on each. A space approxi-
mately 3" x 3" on the left hand
side of the cover must be al-
lowed for the cachet.

No money or other payment is
to be sent with the covers since
these will already have stamps
affixed by the collector. Prepared
covers are to be sent to The Alas-
ka Railroad, Room 301, Anchor-
age, Alaska. Airmail is advised to
make the deadline.

Toledo Collector Drops In For Visit

While on his way through Sid-
ney, Harry W. Kever of Toledo,
Ohio dropped in for a visit. Mr.
Kever is a collector of many
years standing with his philatelic
interests centering in the issues of
the United States, Canada and
Canadian Revenues. He has nearly
complete collections in each of
the above named categories, lack-
ing only about a dozen stamps in
one of them. Mr. Kever also re-
lated some of the activities of the
Toledo Stamp Club of which he
is a member.

Dealer Issues Price List Of French Stamps

The Nassau Stamp Company,
68 Nassau Street, New York, has
issued its 1948 price list of the
stamps of France.

The 24-page booklet has been
laid out according to the position
of each stamp in either the Nas-
sau Ideal or Nassau DeLuxe Al-
bums for France and embraces
postage, airmails, semi-postals,
pre-cancels, postage dues, fran-
chise, newspaper, occupation and
local issues. Copies will be sent
to collectors enclosing 10c to
cover handling.

SERIES 1943 AMG STAMPS FOR ITALY NAPLES

by Ned Rosenberg
1037 Kelly St., N. Y. 59, N. Y.

As the Allied Armies marched
up through Italy to Rome and
Naples and liberated the peoples
of Italy, the Allied Military Gov-
ernment declared all previous It-
alian stamps invalid for postage,
but the civil population petitioned
the AMG officials for some sub-
stitute so that a postal system
might be set up for the liberated
areas. The AMG immediately
took over all post offices and con-
fiscated all of the stamps. The de-
cision was that three values of
Italian stamps be overprinted and
sold for use to the civil popula-
tion. The rate to be established
being 50 centesimi, but only on
postcard for the board of cen-
sors was not very large and let-
ters would cause a great deal of
delay in the delivery of the mail.

There was a large stock of post-
al cards with embossed stamps of
the 15 and 30 centesimi stamps
and it was decided to use these
cards in conjunction with the
overprinted stamps or a blank
card with the 50 centesimi over-
printed stamp. The three Italian
stamps chosen were Scott No. 217,
20 cent. rose red, No. 220, 35 cent.
deep blue and No. 221 50 cent.
purple. These stamps were then
taken to the printing firm of
Richter in Naples who had ex-
perience in printing postage
stamps.

The overprint was to be the
phrase Governo Militare Alleato
printed in three lines on the
stamps only and not on the post-
al cards. The colors of the over-
prints to be blue for the 20 cent.,
carmine for the 35 cent. and car-
mine for the 50 cent. but a new
batch of ink had to be mixed for
the 50 cent. after some of the

stamps had been overprinted and
the color was of a marked ver-
million cast.

As forgeries exist I will attempt
to describe these stamps to aid in
the detection:

The Genuine Stamps:

20 cent. rose red, heavy yellow-
ish gum with watermark crown
upright.

35 cent deep blue, thin white
paper white gum with a fine ver-
tical ribbing in the gum and the
watermark crown appears invert-
ed.

50 cent purple, yellowish gum
smoother than the 20 cent and not
quite as heavy, the watermark
crown is upright.

The Forgeries:

20 Cent. rose red, the letters of
the overprint appear to be thin-
ner, the O in Governo and Allea-
to are not uniform, the so called
steel blue overprint on stamp
with inverted watermark, the
overprint is quite good but the
G in Governo is not quite right
at the points where the bar of
the G crosses.

35 cent deep blue, this is the
most forged stamp of the lot. The
overprint on the stamp is with
the watermark upright and the
overprint is slightly missaligned.
The other overprints break
through to the extent that they
raise the gum on the back of the
stamps in the shape of the let-
ters, this occurs on both the 20
cent. and 35 cent. stamps.

I have not seen any of the for-
geries of the 50 cent.

These stamps had their first day
of issue on December 10, 1943 and
continued in use until consumma-
tion of an Armistice with the re-
nants of the Italian Government
in August 1944. The totals of the
stamps overprinted including
shade variations:

20 cent. 360,000
35 cent. 70,000
50 cent. 700,000

The remaining stocks of these
stamps were apparently left in
the Post Offices as they have
been seen used on letters with
other Italian stamps after the
date of discontinuance. The so
called vermilion overprint on the
35 cent stamp is in my opinion
merely a slight shade variety over
which a great fuss has been
made to the benefit of the dealers
who have gotten a higher price
for the item. The double varieties
and others on this issue are prob-
ably proofs and printers waste
which fell into the hands of un-
scrupulous persons who have dis-
posed of this material to their
personal advantage and did not
destroy it as is the custom. The
original plates used for this over-
print have been destroyed so that
future forgers will find it more
difficult to dispose of their wares
to collectors.

Those collectors who might be
interested in the formation of an
AMG group should write to R. H.
Harrington c/o General Tire &
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President Ahmed Zogu appears
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Q.—How can one tell the difference between used single copies of Scott numbers 727 and 752, also unused singles and blocks.

—Gilbert Henoch.
A.—Number 727 was the original issue, fully gummed and sold through postoffices. No. 752 is the Farley reissue, issued only ungummed but in sheets of 400 stamps so that it is possible to get gutter pairs or blocks which are definitely Number 752, also center blocks with cross gutter. Thus these gutter or center line blocks are the only stamps from these numbers which can be absolutely and certainly classified for exactly what they are, stamps of number 752. This applies whether canceled or uncanceled. Any and all other stamps from either sheet either used or unused, canceled or uncanceled could be from either sheets of number 727 or 752. In event someone could perfectly gum the ungummed 752 they could thus imitate 727 but that is hardly likely, so it is presumable that gummed copies are 727 and ungummed copies are usually accepted as 752. In the case of canceled stamps they can not be told except as stated above where gutter or center blocks can be definitely classified, as 752.

Q.—I have been trying to find a way of learning the quantity of stamps printed before the number is listed in the new catalogue each year. Would it be possible for you to aid me in this matter?—Paul V. Dunn.

A.—When a commemorative is issued the Government announces that so many are being printed. In some instances certain stamps meet with such popular public demand throughout the nation as a whole or in some particular community, that a further printing may be made thus upsetting the original figure as announced. However, the final numbers as announced during the period of issue or use of the stamp are seldom the proper or correct number for the stamps are placed on sale at the Agency and are available there for some time after they have ceased to be issued from the Department at Washington and in the event all stamps in the agency are not sold, then when final figures are announced, the number on hand at the agency which may be withdrawn from sale and destroyed is deducted from the original figures. If you will note the list of stamps issued in the catalogue you will find an (•) before the later numbers. This indicates that the exact figure is not yet known on these stamps and it is most probable that the exact number will be something less than the number in the catalogue.

Thus it should be apparent to anyone that definite information on the quantity of any stamps can not be learned until some months after the issue of the stamps.

Q.—If moth balls are used in

drawers of bureaus or cabinets where mint sheets are kept, so as to act as a repellent to silverfish will the chemicals in the moth balls have a destructive effect on the stamps?—W. L. Newton.

A.—The above is the gist of a question from Mr. W. L. Newton of Bethesda, Md. It opens up a new angle as we have never before heard of the use of moth balls for the protection of stamps. We have heard of the destructive activities of silverfish, so called. We find Webster's describes "silverfish" as being a white variety of the gold-fish. We know gold fish swim in water and also know that the white gold fish would swim in water, so we conclude that the silverfish which Mr. Newton refers to are to minute flat bugs or insects that are frequently found in scrap paper; they seem to be able to glide through the most minute cracks and infest old blocks and heaps of paper. We do believe these insects eat gum from stamps and it has been one of the reasons why we have at times advocated the removal of gum from stamps, but this project has not yet become a common practice. Whether moth balls will injure stamps is a question we can not answer. If we have a good chemist who is a reader and can supply an answer we might or might not have found a guard against the silverfish that Mr. Newton asks about.

More Values For Sokol Congress Issue

Czechoslovakia has issued four additional values to complement those released on March 7 to commemorate the Sokol Congress. The new stamps had their first day of issue on June 10, and are of two different designs. Each of the designs carries the portrait of a prominent Sokol leader, Dr. Jindra Vanicek on one, and Dr. Joseph Scheiner on the other.



Values of the set are distributed as follows: 1 Kcs. green (Vanicek); 1.50 Kcs. brown (Scheiner); 2 Kcs. blue (Scheiner); 3 Kcs. red (Vanicek). The stamps will appear in panes of 100 stamps, the margins of which will carry coupons as shown above. Dr. Max Svabinsky submitted the designs for these stamps, as well as for the coupons, and the cachet on the first day covers. Printing was made from line engraved steel plates, the work of Jindra Schmidt.

Validity of the stamps to prepay postage ceases on December 31, 1948.

Cachet Planned For Maine Town Centennial

When the town of Damariscotta, Maine celebrates its centennial during the three days of July 11, 12 and 13, cover fans will have the opportunity of securing a cachet which will be issued for the occasion. The cachet is being prepared and sponsored by the local Centennial Committee, the design featuring the seal of Damariscotta.

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The show as in April will be at the Hotel McAlpin and should be most successful since the April Bourse was a big success and with a three day show planned for October, there should be a splendid attendance from out of the city and the bourse comes at the time of year when dealers will be ready to buy for winter business.

Details of the show with prices on tables etc. can be had by addressing Mr. Tiger at 154 Nassau Street, New York 7, N. Y.

Brokerage Firm Head To Visit West Coast

On June 20, Warren Scholl, manager of the Mint Sheet Brokerage Co. of Sidney, Ohio will leave on a business trip to the west coast where he will center his activities in California. Present plans call for the outgoing journey to be made by the southern route which will carry him through Texas, while the return will be made on a northern one which will include Denver, Colo.

Mr. Scholl expects to be gone for a number of weeks. On his travels he will be more than interested to explain the services that the firm offers, and asks that anyone so interested write at once to the firm's office at the above address. When in California, part of his time will be spent in Los Angeles, San Diego and San Francisco. Letters to Mr. Scholl after the departure date requesting appointments can be sent to the Sidney office, where the staff will forward them to him.

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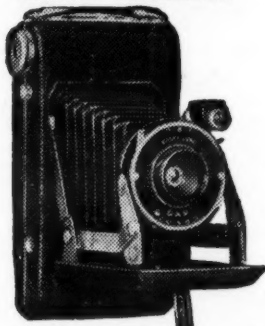
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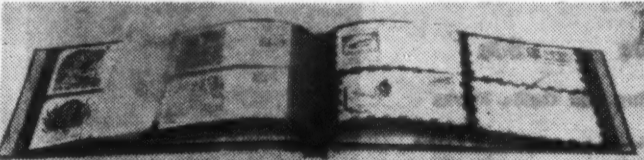
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Then the Germans came to the Islands after Dunkirk, and for five years 100,000 subjects of His Majesty the King were governed by 30,000 Nazi officers and their men. The Germans hoped to win the Islanders over to them, since the biggest conquest of England proper, lay ahead. But the Islanders, against the background of luxurious hotels and lovely beaches, developed a resistance movement that had all the elements of an Alfred Hitchcock movie thriller and a book by the author of Peter Pan rolled into one...



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On Jersey, not counting the persons who were taken to Germany, there were over one thousand political prisoners, out of a population of forty thousand, sentenced to prison terms. This was a constant source of irritation to Lt. Gen. Wilhelm Wulf, Hitler's representative on the Island, because the Germans had carefully prepared a plan of what they considered "fair treatment". Furthermore, as the Germans saw it, the Islands were nothing anyway but a refuge where decadent Englishmen came to enjoy life after they had made their fortunes in London or Plymouth.

There were, of course, the chambermaids in the hotels, the shop keepers and clerks, and the peasants who work the rich farms. But these little people, the Germans had told the "Fatherland" (in press stories datelined "Occupied England"), were all ready to welcome the Reich's New Order.

St. Helier, on Jersey, is the biggest city of the Island, and the Luftwaffe established a base there. Goering's pilots would come into Boats, the chemists shop, to purchase perfume, and as the English gaped at the hair nets that some of them wore, the pilots would remark casually that "we'll be shopping in London in a few weeks."

The "few weeks" stretched into years, the invasion of France brought about a blockade of the Islands by American naval craft, and hunger gripped the Islanders who had once boasted of their self sufficiency from England. When V-E Day came the German officers, who had always said they would "fight on regardless of what happened," surrendered sullenly and their patched-pants troops finally sailed to—not against—England in prison ships.

American prisoners held on the Islands, who numbered less than 50, left first after a warm demonstration by the Islanders who had grown to know them during their months of captivity. Most of the sailors and soldiers had English girls waiting for them when their PW cages were opened. Each day for months the English girls had brought scribbled newscasts to the stockade and smuggled them into the Am-

erican prisoners.

Spokesman for the Americans on the Islands was Col. John Reybold, of Wilmington, Del., and the 15th Cavalry, and the liberated Yanks showered him with praise when they were free...

Colonel Reybold, who was captured near Brest before the American outfits moved up to contain the Brittany pockets that the German High Command directed from the Islands, began writing Lt. Gen. Wilhelm Wulf "We Demand" letters as soon as he arrived on the Island. He signed them all "Eisenhower's Representative on the Channel Islands".

At first the prisoners, as a result of the German's disregard of International Law, were held in the old fort dungeon; they lived on a diet of beet and horsehead soup, the same horsehead being used for weeks. But eventually the men were moved out of the dungeon, and conditions improved somewhat due to the Colonel's continual quoting of the Geneva Convention decisions on Treatment of Prisoners.

The Germans, having wearied of their continual wrangles with Col. Reybold, had, with a comic opera touch, begun drafting Court Martial charges against him as the Allied armies hammered against the last remnants of Hitler's forces on the Continent. The charge was that he had called Nazi big-wigs on the Islands "liars". The Colonel admits it.

His last act on the Island—after V-E Day—was to point out to Island officials that the Algerian PW's enjoyed the same status as Allied PW's and, regardless of what the officials thought about their color, they were to be set free. They were.

Unlike other places they occupied, the Germans did not disturb the existing Governments in the Islands but administered through them and around them...

On V-E Day the homes of some prominent collaborators were splashed with tar, women were stripped and their heads shaven. The "Jerry bags", as the Islanders called the women who took up with the Germans, aroused some excitement in the British press, and one London paper published a report that there were over a thousand German babies on the Islands...

The Germans, with their swank dinner receptions at the best hotels in the early days and their Gestapo interrogation room, brought all the reality of Hitler's new way of life to a people who had once been told that they were self-sufficient in their isolation.

The Nazis corrupted a small percentage of the Islanders, but the majority of them, brought to grips with Nazism, fought it as best they could. It was difficult for the diverse resistance groups to work together, but towards the end of the occupation, the anti-Nazi league was gaining strength.

There were some English, it

is true, who got pretty huffy about Churchill's decision that the Islands weren't of enough military value to do anything about, and one white-haired, retired Naval officer stubbornly refused to eat his quota of Red Cross parcels after the Germans let them through. And on V-E Day the old sea-dog marched down to the Town Hall at St. Helier with his parcels, plunked them on the counter and declared: "I am going to take these to No. 10 Downing Street and ask them if this is any way to treat an officer and a gentleman."

But the Islanders' favorite joke, as they existed on a diet of beets and tomatoes, was a fantasy story about how Churchill sat down with General Eisenhower to a great Victory feast after the war was over. And after dessert and just as Churchill was about to light his cigar, he suddenly exclaimed: "My God, Ike, I've forgotten those Channel Islands."

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The first stamp, a 3 lire brown, is dedicated to the Sicilian Revolution, which was the first in Europe. It is the unique case in which the date of a revolution has been previously fixed in a pamphlet. In a pamphlet printed some days before, a young revolutionist called the Sicilians to the fight just on the King's (Ferdinand II) Birthday, January 12. The Sicilian Revolution had as its purpose the restoration of the Constitution of 1812 and the proclamation of the Independence of Sicily from the continental Kingdom, to which Sicily was federated.

The 4 lire stamp, purple, is dedicated to the Rebellion at Padua. This rebellion was led by the students of the well-known University (the most important "Studium" of the Venetian country at the time of the Republic of Venice), who saw the Austrian soldiers and policemen invade the Varsity Building, in violation of their old rights. On this occasion the invaders were chased from the University (February 8th 1848).

The 5 lire, blue, depicts the granting of the "Statuto" (Constitution) in Piedmont and the popular fetes. The Constitution was announced on Feb. 8th and granted on March 4th. The fundamental Law of Piedmont was after the fundamental Law of the United Italy.

The 6 lire, green, celebrated the 5 Days of Fight at Milan (March 18th-22nd) in which the citizens won from 16,000 Austrian soldiers and chased them out of the town. One of the most important fights was made for the possession of "Porta Tosa", in order to have the possibility of getting new forces and foods from the countryside. The occupation of this gate was the signal for the retreat of the Austrian troops, who fled in the night.

While in Milan the fight was bloody, in Venice the Restoration of the Old Venetian Republic was done almost harmlessly. Thru con-

Piedmont. The Austrian General Welden tried to invade the Roman State and occupy Bologna on August 7th, but on the 8th the populace revolted and chased the Austrians out of the town. This is shown on a 20 lire carmine red.

The three higher values show the resistance to the foreign troops in 1849.

The 30 lire ultramarine, celebrates the struggle against the Austrians won by King Carlo Alberto at Novara, from March 23rd to April 1st 1849.

The 50 and 100 lire are dedicated to the Roman Republic.

Pope Pius IX well praised in the early months of 1848, after the assassination of the Premier Pellegrino Rossi, took refuge at Geato (Kingdom of Naples) in November and on February 9th 1849 was dethroned and the Republic proclaimed at Rome. The French troops, led by General Oudinot, were defeated on April 30th by Garibaldi near the Porta San Pancrazio. (50 lire, violet).

The siege of Rome ended on July 3rd, as on that day only the French soldiers entered the town. A few hours before the Poet Goffredo Marelli, writer of the National Anthem "Fratelli d'Italia", when dying received for his gallantry the captain's commission shown on the 100 lire grey.

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Notes From A German Collector

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According to a recent news broadcast over station "Sende-gruppe Graz", there are about 60 stamp clubs in Denmark, 80 of which hold forth in the capital of Copenhagen alone.

The first auction sale of stamps took place in London on March 18, 1872. A total of 275 lots were offered of which the one bringing the highest bid was a Hawaii stamp of 1851. It was a bid at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ 10/. The newspapers of that day made much of the fact that anyone would pay that amount for a postage stamp.

Possibly the only stamp about which a book of any size has been written is the Penny Black, the world and England's No. 1. A total of eleven plates were used for the printing, each plate of which carried 240 subjects. The combination of the corner letters was intended to make forging more difficult, which it did, but it also spurred collectors of that day to a specialized study of the issue. The book spoken about, pictures all 2880 varieties, and notes that the first plate was corrected thereby supplying twice as many varieties from its surface.

Most collectors of German stamps know that the first issue of Hamburg of the Old Germany group were issued imperforate in 1859. In 1864 these same stamps were issued perforated. Due to the fact that the stamps of the imperf sheets were printed closely together, when one has a single only, he is not sure of the stamp since it might be a trimmed perforated one. The Imperf variety is the more valuable one. This is one of the easier stunts of the Old World tamperers.

The stamps of Hanover, of Old Germany, are distinguishable by the fact that the earlier one had an experimental red dye added to the gum, and that the gum was not easily removed. Even the

used stamps bear traces of it. The second issue came with white gum only.

What does a properly cancelled stamp look like?

A stamp is considered to have a desirable cancel if the design of the stamp is not smeared with the cancelling ink, and if the wording on the stamp and of the postmark can be read clearly. Frayed or smeary margins on the postmark aren't desirable either.

The reason that governments produce stamps with a lot of fine workmanship is to combat forgers. Some of the means used by the engravers as protection of the design are:

1. Use of very small figures and letters.
2. Employing guilloches. These are artistic and complicated entanglements of combinations of lines on surrounded ground. European opinion on the matter has it that the finest of these were produced by the Government Printing House for Securities at St. Petersburg, Russia.
3. Ample adorning with arabesques.

It can easily be understood that with the introduction of the postage stamp, the greatest artists of the day were employed to design and engrave the plates, which was intended to eliminate forgery. As a consequence, nearly all the stamps of the so-called "Classic" issues are minor works of art and will prove so to the collector who will study these stamps with a good magnifying glass.

The first recorded meeting of stamp collectors in Germany is said to have occurred at Mainz on August 18, 1889.

Collectors the world over have been following the trial of the well known Sperati. Those of the stamp fraternity are hurling the charge of forger at him, while he himself claims that he is an outstanding artist. This all comes about over the fact that Sperati has produced reproductions of many of the rare stamps good enough to fool the expert experts. They say that he does it as forger for the good money in it, he claims that he does it for arts sake, and to make the experts look silly. Just on the face of it, Sperati seems to have stalled the prosecution.

This man is probably the best "artist" in the reproduction of rare stamps that the world has seen to date. For not only does he reproduce the design, but the paper and the watermark also so that they are not detectable even with the aid of modern scanning and testing devices. If the genuine and the forged stamps can't be told apart by any means, what difference to a collector should it make?

The first post office was established in Berlin in 1613, and while there was no selling of stamps, those hadn't been invented yet, it was a place for the exchange and the forwarding of mail. It was first located in Bluecher St. at No. 4, later moving to No. 1 Post St. in 1685.

Exhibit Of Western Franks Wins At Calpex

When the three judges had finished evaluating the exhibits shown in the 210 frames of the 1948 Calpex, the 10th Anniversary show of the California Collectors Club, they found that the collection of Western Franks entered by Henry Chaloner was worthy of the Grand Award. The judges were Henry Hussey, Roy Taylor and Mervyn Hertzberg. All entries were in competition on an open basis, which pitted each one against all the others, rather than among the frames in a certain classification.

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Special Postmark And Cachet Planned For City's Centenary

Another city will have a cachet to celebrate its centennial on June 19, when Moline, Illinois enters into several days of local events. The Quad City Stamp Club will sponsor this one.

The cachet will be printed in two colors and will embody the official centennial seal, an actual photograph of the first John Deere factory in Moline, a sketch of the Old Mill Race Dam between Moline and the island of Rock Island and the Mississippi River with a river packet on it.

The post office department of Moline will use a special magenta cancellation which will be a reproduction in every detail of the one used in Moline one hundred years ago. Across the top of the envelope will be printed "The cancellation used on this envelope is a reproduction of the cancellation used in Moline one hundred years ago."

The price of the cachet serviced with one commemorative stamp, neatly tied in with the cancellation will be 15c per copy, two for 25c or nine for \$1.00. Special rates will be quoted for larger quantities. All orders for these cacheted envelopes should be sent direct to Guy W. Ade, 2324 23rd St. A, Moline, Illinois.

Subscriptions To Linn's Are Attendance Prizes

The announcement that subscriptions to Linn's Weekly Stamp News would be offered as attendance prizes brought out a full house at a recent meeting of the Lockheed Employees Stamp Club of Burbank, Calif. The club supplied two of them as first and second prizes, the first going to Mrs. Eulalia C. Thiede, the other to Alta M. Gorseman, both of Burbank. This is one of the larger clubs out on the west coast. It is a member of the Lockheed Employees Recreation Club which sponsors and promotes many activities for the employees of the Lockheed Aircraft Corporation.

CONTRACT MAIL CARRIER (Continued from Page 1)

J. A. Trotter & Bro. In turn, the Department wrote the firm; and each letter would receive a courteous reply from Albert.

"This kept on for more than two months. Finally the Postmaster at Clarksburg lost all patience. He wrote the Department a comprehensive letter, setting forth in detail the serious rupture of schedules. He said that he had taken the matter up with the two brothers personally, but that all he had been able to obtain from them was promises.

"It was a very strongly worded letter. The Postoffice Department felt that the time for courteous and polite correspondence had come to an end, and that stronger methods must now be employed.

"So a letter was composed and sent to J. A. Trotter & Bro. The letter called attention to the failure of the company to maintain schedules which had been agreed upon. It intimated that such a breach of contract might terminate in serious consequences for those involved. It said that citizens of the United States were entitled to get their mail on time, and that unless J. A. Trotter & Bro. were in a position to do this, their contract would be rescinded.

"This communication was decidedly emphatic to say the least. When Albert read it, he worried about it considerably. He refrained from replying to the letter for several days. Then he could stand it no longer. He went to his brother, told him of the correspondence which had taken place, and showed him the latest epistle.

"I have written the Department on several previous occasions, said Albert, 'but my letters apparently have come to naught. Perhaps you, Jim, in your own way, can explain the cause of delay to the officials so that they will understand it.'

"And with that, he gave his brother the letter.

"Jim took it, read it carefully, and then said: 'You leave this to me, Albert, and I'll handle it in such a manner that you will hear nothing further about it.'

"Without further ado, Jim sat down and wrote the letter. The following is a verbatim copy of it:

"Postmaster General, Washington, D. C.
"Sir: If the gable end of hell should blow out and shower fire, smoke and melted lava for forty days and nights, it would not melt the snow enough on Cheat Mountain so as to get your damned mail out on time.
Yours truly,
J. A. Trotter & Bro.

"That settled it. So far as J. A. Trotter and Bro. were concerned, the Department had nothing more to say on the subject. In the Postmaster General's office, the letter was framed, hung up and preserved as a relic of terse and vigorous official correspondence."



BY KENNETH M. GERNANT, Baltimore, Ohio

UNIQUE DATED In a small lot of precancels I recently obtained, I came across an unusual Dated. It was on a 19c Presidential, lightly postcanceled but had no precancellation only the DATING, which reads OSC APR '48. Not being up on my dateds I shall have to depend on my readers to tell me the city.

STILL DWINDLING Slowly but surely the number of users of precancels are diminishing. A close watch on the incoming parcel post of a large manufacturing concern shows that few if any packages carry precancels. Each mail that arrives from about thirty to forty packages of various sizes from all over the U. S. and now it is seldom that any precancels are on them. About three-fourths are meters and the balance are regular cancelled postage. One consolation is that the circular mailing and that of catalogs etc. where a number of identical pieces are mailed still carry about the same percentage of Precancels. Reports from Paper mills and waste paper baling concerns bear out the observation on the package mail, as salvaging of stamps from that source is off at least 90 per cent from ten years ago. Just what this will lead to any one can guess, but as one old timer, put it, there are enough precancels around to last for fifty years if no more are ever issued.

BRITISH EMPIRE CHATTER

BY HENRY A. PRIEDMAN, Box 21, Flushing Meadows, New York 24, N. Y.

POUNDS & DOLLARS. Much has been written about the so called "Black Market" in pounds and the resulting chaos among dealers and collectors of British Empire stamps. It is really a smuggling racket rather than a black market.

It is reported that pound notes in the American market have reached a new low price of \$1.80 per pound, which may have been caused by the E. R. P. announcement that it will insist on currency devaluation where they deem necessary, before any country can qualify for Marshall Plan aid. This may force the devaluation of the pound in England, but it may not effect the various colonies. However it may result in many colonies breaking away from the Sterling area and some time ago it was announced that the West Indian colonies would soon change from Pounds and Shillings to Dollars and cents. This announcement may have been in anticipation of the eventual necessity of the devaluation of the English pound. What affect this will have on the British Empire is problematical, and it may be that this is at least one of the reasons for the pegged price of over \$4.00 per pound. If devaluation comes and as a result many colonies break away from the sterling area, it should improve conditions for the stamps of these colonies.

Right now, these cheap pound notes are bought in this country, and directly or indirectly are used to buy current stamps which do reach this country and are sold here below face, with substantial profits to the insiders.

ROYAL WEDDING SETS. Collectors and dealers in London have been expressing their disapproval of the issuance of so many high value stamps and the American philatelic press have certainly condemned the same as a racket to get American dollars. A large majority of American collectors simply cannot afford to buy all of these high value sets. A New York dealer who specializes in new issue service stated that he has received numerous requests from regular customers NOT TO SEND the high values of these sets. Most of the dealers both here and abroad cannot and will not tie up the cash necessary to buy and hold any substantial supply of these high value items which will probably curtail the numbers issued. As to the future of these stamps it is the writer's personal opinion (I may be 100% wrong) that these high value Royal wedding stamps will eventually be known as the outstanding buy of 1948.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA. This is the first colony to announce that it WILL NOT issue Royal Wedding stamps. This may be in the nature of a protest, as Southern Rhodesia did issue stamps for the Silver Jubilee, the Coronation and also a Peace set.

Stamp Show Of Future Modeled For Collectors

A most unusual meeting and display was recently held at the Collectors Club in New York City. A competition among the students of the interior design class of Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, New York was sponsored by Aero Philatelists, Inc. who awarded a series of prizes to the winners of the best sets of drawings and plans for a proposed future stamp exhibition.

The competition was divided into two classes—one covering plans and illustrations for a permanent stamp show and the other for a portable exhibit.

There was an unusually large attendance, not only of the membership of Aero Philatelists, Inc. and of the Collectors Club and including many directors of the Association of Stamp Exhibitions.

The judges of these displays included Theodore Steinway, Leon Helguera, Mrs. Louise Davis, Fred Kessler and others.

The competitors in this exhibition were students of Mr. Francis Ritter, an instructor at Pratt Institute and a member of Aero Philatelists, Inc.

Linn's—America's Greatest PHILATELIC NEWSPAPER

A. A. M. S. MEMBERS (Continued from Page 1)

orable Robert Burgess, Second Assistant Postmaster General and Douglas Wolf, also of this office, made remarks attesting to the society's cooperation to the P.O.D. over the twenty-five years of its existence.

The Society, through L. B. Gatchell presented to the members of the Cuban Convention committee special certificates of appreciation. Vice-President Ernest Kehr, on behalf of the Postmaster, Assistant Paul Aiken presented special sets of airmail covers to Rafael Oriol, chairman of the Havana Convention: to Luis Angulo Pintado, who edited a special edition of "Actividades Filatelicas," organ of the host Club Filatelico de la Republica de Cuba, and to Richard Millan, president of the club.

At the dinner each member received another presentation book, this one containing used and unused specimens of the special souvenir sheets issued by the Postoffice for the American Air Mail Society.

Society. Philatelically the convention was an outstanding success because the Minister of Communications did so much. On May 21 was issued the new eight centavo airmail stamp which is an orange and black stamp showing the liberators of the Cuban Republic—Marti, Maceo and Gomez. The postmarks consisted of "Primer Dia Emision—Sea Filatelico—American Air Mail Society." On May 22 the Special Rowland Hill overprinted sheet was released with a postmark—250th Anniversary Convention American Air Mail Society. At this time nearly 600 covers were specially cancelled for listeners to the WNBC program who had sent them in to the American Air Mail Society.

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64	3 1/2 x 4 1/2	Side	Seam50	1.20	2.10	3.35
66	3 1/2 x 6	Diag.	Seam60	1.40	2.55	4.75
67	3 1/2 x 6 1/2	Diag.	Seam85	1.50	2.75	5.20
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Louisiana Collectors Gather



Collectors from within 200 miles of Columbia, La. were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Blanks at their home in that city on Sunday April 25. Mr. Blanks is the well known proprietor of the Mint Stamp Bank, dealers in postage stamps and other collector's items. On their arrival, the guests were shown through Blanks' beautiful flower garden immediately after which a series of philatelic stunts were offered to them.

Prizes were offered for the most correct answers to a philatelic quiz, while later all persons participated in a blind auction. In the auction, all the lots were unknown, but the guests were warned that at least one of the envelopes held stamps having \$24 catalog value. Money obtained from the auction was earmarked for the Stamps For The Wounded Program.

E. M. Freeman, president of the Shreveport Philatelic Society spoke on "Stamp Collecting As A Hobby". He was followed by Maurice Glazer, president of the Ouachita Stamp Club of Monroe, La., who explained his method of mounting his stamps and covers, and demonstrated the system with pages from his collection. George Buckner of the Ouachita club showed several frames of his Louisiana Stampless Covers along with which he explained some of the little known facts about some of them.

A buffet lunch was served late in the afternoon, after which informal discussions were continued by some of the collectors present.

Commems Planned For Venice Art Exhibition

Near the end of June, or possibly on July 1, Italy will issue a commemorative series of four stamps celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the Biennial International Arts Exhibition of Venice. Indications are that Venice will be the exclusive first day city. Present information from Italy states that the designs of the stamps will be different from each other, and that they will present some of the outstanding scenes of this Italian city.

Special Cachets For Rome, Waycross, Ga.

The Post Office Department announced that on or about July 1, Air Mail Service will be inaugurated at Rome and Waycross, Georgia, on Rout AM-10.

Special cachets will be provided for Rome and Waycross, and the usual treatment of philatelic mail will be authorized.

First flight air mail covers sent to the Postmasters at these two offices should be accompanied by a letter authorizing the holding of the covers for the first flights and requesting the application of the cachet. Space approximately 2½ by 2½ inches to the left on the address side of all covers is required for the cachet.

No provision will be made for point to point covers, but at the request of collectors, covers receiving cachets will be sent to a terminal or junction point designated by the Regional Superintendent, Air Postal Transport, to be served by the first flight in each direction for backstamping.

Interesting Favor Sheet Honors German Poetess

A special favor sheet was issued in the German town of Meersburg/Bodensee, a small community on the Lake of Constance near the Swiss border on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the death of Annette von Droste-Huelshoff. Annette was considered one of the best of the poets of the gentler sex to have her origin in Germany, and who was living in the above town at the time of her death.

The sheet contains the complete set of the stamps for Baden arranged in a pleasing manner, and canceled with a commemorative postmark usable this one day only. The total issue of 5000 sheets were sold within a short time after they were placed on sale. One of these favor sheets was forwarded by Theodor R. Hampe, Überlingen/Bodensee, Muensterstrasse 26 Postfach No. 41, Germany.

Wounded Merchant Marine Sailors Ask For Stamps, Supplies

During the war there were many men of the Merchant Marine who were disabled because of enemy action while they served on ships which were conveying men and supplies to the battle fronts. While not members of the armed forces, these men served bravely and well, many of them having undergone shipwreck, attacks by enemy planes and other life-taking and crippling experiences.

Because of not belonging to the armed forces, they have been bypassed as far as some of the benefits that are given to veterans are concerned.

Among these is an organized attempt to supply them with stamps and philatelic supplies to pass away the time during their convalescence. A call for such material is being made for the men of the U. S. Marine Hospital, Occupational Therapy Department, Beach 149th St., Rockaway Beach, L. I., N. Y. Contributions should be directed to the care of Miss Ruth Work, who will see that it is distributed properly.

Four Week Exhibit In Lyndhurst Library

The four week exhibition that was sponsored by the Lyndhurst Stamp club in the local public library will end on June 15 after having a fine send-off on May 17. This is the first of what is hoped will be an annual exhibition by the group. Public attendance at the show has been steady, they being given the opportunity of viewing the exhibits on any one of five days or four night per week.

Chairmanship of this year's show fell to Barbara Korn, who points out that the public are most welcome to view the collections of the members and even to cast their ballots for the display that they consider the best. Dudley Sleater, a sponsor of the club, and Donald Fleming, Lyndhurst postmaster aided Miss Korn considerably in planning the show. An invitation to girls of the Bergen County area between the ages of 14 and 17 to join the club is extended. They can obtain full information by writing to Mr. Sleater, 645 Fifth Ave., Lyndhurst, N. J.

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To him that waits, there comes, provided one is willing to put up with a lot of patient negotiating! After some four years of plugging away, plus several trips, I finally secured on the last trip, the largest stock, and probably the only one now in existence, of the Free French India Cross of Lorraine issues between Scott's 157 and 209.

Since the amount involved is only \$14,500.00—enough for a few weeks normal business—the quantity is not large. It just cannot be, for the numbers issued of all these stamps are appallingly small. The three "commonest" existed only 70,000 each. A few others came 50,000; the greater part well under 20,000 each, any number at 5,000 or so! But these are numbers as originally issued. Large quantities were used up postally; others have vanished due to war risks; actual numbers in existence must be ¼ to ½ of those issued. It is apparent to anyone who has studied advertisements over the last four years, there have been very few offers of these stamps. On any basis one can imagine, all without exception, are obsolete bargains at present Scott valuations.

As this advertisement is being written, the stamps have not arrived as yet. Will only have 19 complete collections to offer. As for the rest, they will be offered in various-sized collections, none of which will be expensive; prices will be well below Scott, and a nearly complete collection does not run to much over \$25.00. In fact, roughly 75% of all varieties, one each, will cost about \$10.00, while a few dollars will secure a sizeable collection.

One thing I do promise is that the moment I have back the principal sum laid out on these, namely \$14,500.00, my prices on all varieties and collections remaining will be TWO TIMES present prices, at which rate they will still be a fantastic bargain in view of the obvious scarcity of the stamps.

Suggest immediate application for a collection to be sent on approval to yourself either in singles or blocks, or both (limit 5 of a kind to any buyer). Collections in blocks will be selected to show interesting minor varieties. All stamps will have my guarantee on the back, and full information as to quantities existing will be sent. I do not know as yet the value of the various collections, but this should be around \$3, \$10, \$15.00 and \$25.00 per collection in singles. Let me know what size to send on approval.

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By the time I had finished my transactions with the former owner of the Free French India total purchases came to some \$42,000.00 worth of stamps, including a lovely copy of the 12 person Canada, one of the finest in existence. (Don't bother writing for this, as this copy has already been sold.) Naturally, when spending such amounts, I never fail to point out that I have a rather peculiar \$1.00 Subscription offer which not only offers various services, but for good measure, various stamps alone worth more than the dollar required! This none-too-subtle hint always works, and to cap our dealings I secured a very interesting assortment of odds and ends in rather uneven quantities which mattered little, seeing they cost nothing. The stamps however are NOT the kind one can ordinarily get for nothing; in fact they are first class "sleepers" issued in quantities anywhere from 30,000 to ten times that, and the 15 varieties offered, are a bargain at an average of 10 cents each!

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